

**RECORD OF PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE PROCEEDINGS  
REGULAR MEETING HELD ON THE 11<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JUNE 2019  
1020 CITY BOULEVARD, GRAYLING, MICHIGAN**

**I.** Meeting called to order by Chairperson Gaertner at 5:59 P.M.

**II. Roll Call**

Members Present: Lindsay Gaertner, Doug Baum, James Jones, Natasha Ritter

Members Absent: Heather Ferrigan, Kimberly Hatfield, Trey Townsend

Also, in Attendance: Recording Secretary; Deb Mead

**III. Public Comment - None**

**IV. Approval of Agenda**

**19-011**

Moved by Jones, seconded by Baum to approve the agenda as presented.

Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 3, Vacancies: 0, **Motion Carried.**

**V. Approval of Consent Agenda**

A. Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes for May 14, 2019

B. Expenditure Report thru May 2019

**19-012**

Moved by Baum, seconded by Jones to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 3, Vacancies: 0, **Motion carried.**

**19-013**

Moved by Baum, seconded by Jones to accept and file the Expenditure Report.

Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 3, Vacancies: 0, **Motion carried.**

**VI. City Manager Report**

City Manager Baum gave an update on the picnic tables that are being ordered for the City Park.

Baum stated that the Farmer's Market opened last Thursday and there was a good turnout.

Baum stated that there were a lot of Multi-Use Permits being turned in for the Park Pavilion, and there was a lot of usage at the Nature Center as well.

Baum informed the Board that City Council had approved the 2019/2020 Budget at Monday nights Council Meeting. The budget also includes the extra funds needed for Parks & Recreation on the items needed to purchase for the next year.

## **VII. Committee Reports**

### **A. Skate Park Committee**

Chairperson Gaertner talked about the prizes that were purchased for the Skateboard Competition. Gaertner stated that Shane from 2<sup>nd</sup> Level Goods sold them at cost and the items were received by the next day.

Skateboard Competition is Saturday, June 15<sup>th</sup>; Registration from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm, with Competition starting at 12:00 pm and ending around 2:30/3:00 pm.

## **VIII. Unfinished Business**

### **A. DNR Recreation Grant 2017 Update (Trailhead/Restroom)**

City Manager Baum spoke about the concerns on the projected costs for building the restroom/concession stand.

Baum stated that he and Erich Podjaske had met with two contractors for estimates. One of the responses received was that the contractor was busy and they did not want to give quotes because the prices would not be the same when the time came to build.

Baum stated that the City would keep working toward this project.

### **B. Canoe Launch Update**

Recording Secretary Mead stated that the final walk-through was completed two weeks ago and minimal items needed to be addressed, and that the project should be completed by the end of the month.

Mead stated that signs were ordered for the Canoe Launch and the MSP Crime Lab.

City Manager Baum stated that DPW had placed a large rock in the walkway to deter people from driving down the walkway to the launch area.

### **C. Master Plan**

Recording Secretary Deb Mead stated that she had been working on the Master Plan. Some updates have already been made to the plan, will continue working on the updates.

City Manager Baum will work with Mead to get the Master Plan completed and then send out to the Committee Members.

### **D. Adult Fitness Equipment**

Discussion took place on whether people would utilize fitness equipment at the City Park. Further discussion took place on where the equipment would be used at the most.

Consensus with the Board to move Adult Fitness Equipment off of the Agenda and add it to the Capital Improvement Plan schedule in the Master Plan.

### **E. Iron Belle Trail**

City Manager Baum explained that the City was in a collaborative project with the Crawford County Road Commission and Grayling Township to build a portion of the Iron Belle Trail from 4 Mile Rd to the Northern Market property.

Baum informed the Board that the City had received a Planning Grant for the Iron Belle Trail to plan a route from the Northern Market property to the proposed Trailhead at City Hall. The planning will look at different options to incorporate the trail through the City.

Baum also stated that he was thinking of possibly working with the Military to move the fence at the Airfield on North Down River Road in about 5 feet to help with the trail location.

### **F. City Park Clean-Up Day**

City Manager Baum stated that he would speak to DPW Foreman Kyle Bond to see what, if anything, needs to be done at the City Park. Baum stated he could work on a plan to help there if needed.

## **IX. New Business**

### **A. Meeting Times**

Discussion was had on if the meeting times worked with everyone's schedules. Consensus was the times work for now and to revisit in November.

Discussion took place on not holding a meeting in July, since it is after the holiday and the same month as the Canoe Marathon. Chairperson Gaertner canceled the meeting in July.

The Public Meeting for the Master Plan to be held at the August 13<sup>th</sup> Parks & Rec meeting.

#### **B. October 8, 2019 Meeting Location**

Recording Secretary Mead stated that the Council Chambers are no longer available on October 8<sup>th</sup>, she suggested to have the meeting at the Nature Center or at the Fire Hall again, if it was available.

Consensus to have the meeting at the Nature Center on October 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm.

#### **X. Public Comment – None**

#### **XI. Committee Member Comments**

City Manager Baum stated that he would like to see something done at the Gazebo across from the hospital. Something to spruce it up, like raised flower beds and so on. Baum stated he would check with DPW Foreman Bond to see if there were decorative tiles to use to make the flower beds.

Committee Members were on board with this idea and have some volunteers already in mind.

#### **XII. Correspondence – None**

#### **XIII. Adjournment**

##### **19-014**

Moved by Baum, seconded by Ritter to adjourn the meeting.

Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 3, Vacancies: 0, **Motion carried.**

Chairperson Gaertner adjourned the meeting at 6:49 PM.

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Deb Mead  
Recording Secretary